# Arkansas

# **Broiler Hatchery**

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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 23.1 million during the week ending September 29, 2007. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2006, but up slightly from the previous week. The placements included 2.7 million chicks shipped in from other states.

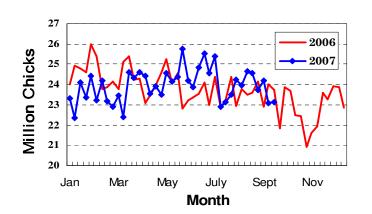
The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week were 22.9 million, down 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and down three percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.2 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

Arkansas hatcheries set 26.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 29, 2007, virtually unchanged from the same period last year, but down 3 percent from the previous week.

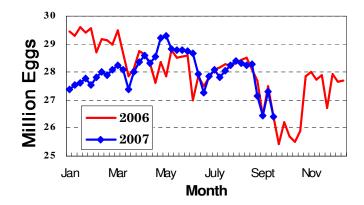
	C	hicks Placed		Ch	icks Hatch	ed	Eggs Set			
Week			% of			% of			% of	
Ending <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	Prev. Year	2006	2007	Prev. Year	2006	2007	Prev. Year	
	The	ousand		Tho	usand		Thousand			
Aug. 25	23,489	24,673	105	23,410	23,774	102	28,526	28,234	99	
Sep. 1	23,584	24,551	104	23,214	23,810	103	28,083	28,271	101	
Sep. 8	24,145	23,745	98	23,543	23,565	100	27,701	27,155	98	
Sep. 15	22,924	24,169	105	23,561	23,478	100	26,430	26,429	100	
Sep. 22	24,011	23,070	96	23,309	23,636	101	27,503	27,324	99	
Sep. 29	23,718	23,145	98	23,060	22,929	99	26,398	26,425	100	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For previous year, it is the comparable week.

#### Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006 - 2007



<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, September 1, 2007 - September 29, 2007

	Eggs Set Week Ending						Chicks Placed						
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State	1-Sep	8-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	29-Sep	%1/	1-Sep	8-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	29-Sep	%1/	
	Thousand							Thousand					
Alabama	31,536	30,946 *	31,385	31,535	30,714	104	21,584	20,757	20,991 *	20,892 *	20,015	102	
Arkansas	28,271	27,155	26,429	27,324	26,425	100	24,551	23,745	24,169	23,070	23,145	98	
Delaware	3,974	3,954	3,885 *	3,870 *	4,127	107	4,937	4,874	4,841 *	5,259 *	4,436	85	
Florida	1,344	1,344	1,344	1,344	1,344	98	1,474	1,354	1,343	1,343	1,393	88	
Georgia	36,031	34,273	34,299	35,012	33,524	99	28,900	29,267	29,387	28,786	28,401	103	
Kentucky	7,766	7,236 *	7,215	8,096	6,891	96	6,132	6,452	5,911	6,436	5,872	104	
Louisiana	4,038	4,029	3,999	3,978	3,712	94	3,865	3,979	3,905	4,225	4,057	115	
Maryland	8,360	8,500	7,950	8,512	8,732	100	5,860	6,109	5,783 *	5,408 *	6,461	122	
Mississippi	17,633	18,093	17,881	17,434	17,106	106	17,079	16,947	16,238	16,172 *	16,618	109	
N. Carolina	19,126	17,515 *	19,068	19,395	18,280	99	16,300	15,934	16,414	15,950	14,836	100	
Oklahoma	6,720	6,749	6,049	6,977	6,373	103	4,521	4,897	5,383	5,619	5,097	105	
Pennsylvania	4,397	4,204	4,058	4,310 *	4,316	105	3,018	3,123	3,252	3,159 *	3,155	113	
S. Carolina	5,370	5,390	5,547	5,518	5,728	109	4,830	4,382	4,512	5,087	4,660	121	
Texas	14,970	14,642 *	13,224	13,982	14,173	100	12,345	12,486	12,385	12,519	12,202	98	
Virginia	6,290	6,211	5,810	6,223	5,855	103	4,916	5,271	5,353	4,866	4,887	103	
CA,MO,TN & WV	20,032	18,854	18,129	18,872 *	20,077	110	17,144	17,153	16,840	17,759 *	16,899	101	
19 State Total	215,858	209,095 *	206,272 *	212,382 *	207,377		177,456	176,730	176,707 *	176,550 *	172,134		
Prev. Year Total	211,613	204,137	202,441	207,521	203,118		173,686	174,016	174,374	173,499	167,530		
% of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	102		102	102	101	102	103		
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/							20-Oct	27-Oct	3-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov		

<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week.

#### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 29, 2007. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### **Broiler Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 29, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through September 29, 2007 were 6.89 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

<sup>1/</sup> Current week as percent of the same week last year. 2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.